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SAMPLING AND TESTING A SPECIMEN  
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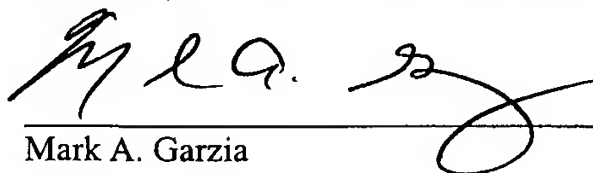
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply to Final Office Action (8 pgs.) in the above-captioned application.

☒ Small entity status of this application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.27 has been established.

☐ It is believed that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).

☒ Applicant petitions for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 [fees: 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) - (d)] for the total number of month(s) checked below:

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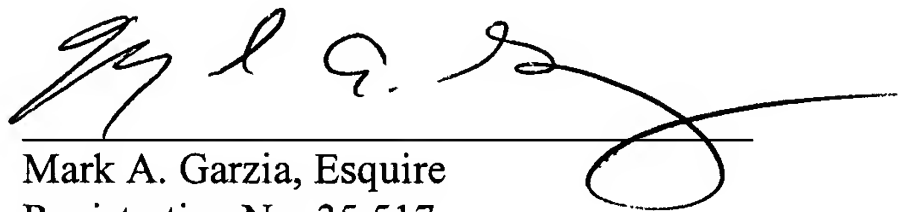
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